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ICE DEPORTS MAN WANTED FOR 1994 MURDER IN MEXICO

El Paso Fugitive Operations Team hands over alien to Mexican authorities at Stanton Bridge

EL PASO, Texas — A man wanted in Mexico for murder and aggravated robbery was deported into the custody of Mexican law enforcement by officers with the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) here today at the Stanton Street Bridge.

ICE special agents last month arrested Noe "El Gremlin" Tamayo-Renteria, 30, an illegal alien from Mexico living in the Chicago area. Mexican authorities want him for allegedly fatally shooting Jorge Gasca-Luna, a cab driver, in the head. According to Mexican authorities, Tamayo-Renteria



and an accomplice allegedly shot and killed Gasca-Luna in February 1994 after assaulting him inside his taxi during a fare. Both Tamayo-Renteria and his accomplice are charged with murder and aggravated robbery. The accomplice is already in custody in Mexico.

Tamayo Renteria is also charged with aggravated assault during a burglary against Maria Angelica Rebollado-Conjeo. Both crimes were committed in Celaya, a city in the Mexican state of Guanajuato.

The Attorney General's Office in Mexico contacted ICE and the FBI last fall with information that Tamayo-Renteria might be living in Blue Island, a suburb of Chicago. The Mexican government requested assistance in locating the fugitive. ICE located Tamayo-Renteria at his home in a Blue Island mobile home park, arrested him and charged him with illegal entry.

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ICE made the arrest as part of its National Fugitive Operations Program (NFOP). NFOP's mission is identify, locate, apprehend, process and remove fugitive aliens from the United States, with its highest priority placed on those fugitives who have been convicted of crimes. NFOP's goal is also to eliminate the backlog of fugitive aliens in the country.

There is an automatic 10-year bar against deported aliens from legally re-entering the United States. Re-entering the United States is a felony punishable by up to 20 years in prison.

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U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement was established in March 2003 as the largest investigative arm of the Department of Homeland Security. ICE is comprised of four integrated divisions that form a 21st century law enforcement agency with broad responsibilities for a number of key homeland security priorities.